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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Kindly amend the above application as set forth below prior to examination.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Cancel claims 1-54. Add the following claims:

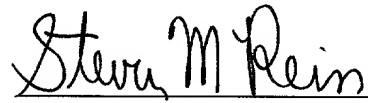
55. (New) A set of electrical connectors matable with each other by movement towards each other along an axis, comprising:

(a) a receptacle comprising an insulative receptacle housing having at least one conductive receptacle contact, said receptacle contact comprising a pair of spaced receptacle walls forming therebetween an open plug contact receiving space, each of said pair of receptacle walls extending in a plane perpendicular to and intersecting said axis; and

(b) a plug comprising an insulative plug housing having at least one conductive plug contact, said plug contact comprising a pair of spaced plug walls, said spaced plug walls each having a plate extending therefrom, said plates forming a projecting section



Respectfully submitted,



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